

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Twice Amended) A vaccine comprising an antigen and a fatty acid or fatty acid-peptide carrier compound which are directly linked by a thioester bond that is labile and dissociates under physiological conditions, wherein said antigen dissociates from said fatty acid or fatty acid-peptide carrier compound after administration to a subject.

Please cancel claims 2, 13-15 and 19-23 without prejudice or disclaimer.